

June 28, 1996

Wendy Barkley, Reports Analyst Federal Election Commission Washington, DC 20463

Dear Ms. Barkley:

I am writing in response to your letter of May 29, 1996 requesting information about our 1996 April Monthly Report (3/1/96-3/31/96). In particular, you asked about negative entries on Schedule D for ABR and Scott Kohlhaas.

In the case of ABR the expense shifted from one vendor to another. We wrote an initial check to ABR for a postage advance, but we were invoiced for the remaining total by a vendor that ABR works with. We, therefore, cleared the ABR invoice and paid the other vendor the unpaid amount.

The negative numbers for Scott Kohlhaas were generated by an accounting mistake. You will find a similar problem with the entry for Kris Williams on the same report. We entered payroll entries for these individuals that we thought would be processed on April 1. We discovered while reconciling our bank accounts that the direct deposit transfers had happened on March 31, so we moved the payments to that date. Unfortunately, we did not move the invoices as well. It, therefore, appeared that we had paid these two individuals money at the end of March that they were not owed until the beginning of April, so they appeared as negative numbers on our Schedule D reports. We have taken steps to ensure that we do not repeat this mistake in the future.

Our FEC identification number is C00255695.

Perry Willis

National Director